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Dear County Executive Hein and Chairman Wadnola:

I am pleased to issue the Sheriff's Office 2010 Annual Report .

It was a year marked by two dramatic and chilling crimes. On June 30, Sheriff's Office members responded to a reported armed bank robbery by a man wearing a mask at the Bank of America in Woodstock. The Sheriff's Detective Unit led the investigation in which a suspect named Jahson Marryshow was identified. The Unit is now conducting a joint operation with the U.S. Marshals Service to locate this man. An October tragedy was the fatal stabbing of a security guard by a resident of the Renaissance Project, a drug and alcohol rehab center in Wawarsing. With the Detective Unit again leading the investigation, suspect Richard Giga, hiding in an empty house 1.3 miles from the murder scene, was arrested 13 hours later and is in the Ulster County Jail awaiting trial.

Meanwhile, the rank and file of the Sheriff's Office, along with civilian staff, performed their daily jobs with dedication, professionalism, and a sincere and unassuming desire to serve. From the dangerous work of an undercover narcotics officer, to the rescue of a drowning child, to the never-ending campaign of our patrols to remove drunk drivers from the roads, to correction officers' duties keeping order among inmates in the jail, this is work that requires putting oneself on the line every day, and it fills me with pride in the men and women of the Sheriff's Office.

The following pages share our accomplishments with you and the public. I welcome any thoughts, and I look forward to our continuing to serve.

Sincerely,
Paul J. VanBlarcum
Sheriff of Ulster County

Frank P. Faluotico
Undersheriff

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2010 HIGHLIGHTS IN REVIEW

With the world focused on Haiti's devastation in February 2010, Sheriff VanBlarcum organized a mission to help earthquake victims. Sgt. Kevin Richards, Deputy Don Hughes and Corrections Sgt. C.J. Polacco travelled to Port au Prince to assist in the distribution of food and medication, provide communications and logistics support for mobile clinics, and help to construct shelters and hygiene facilities.

In March, Sheriff VanBlarcum introduced a measure to protect two of Ulster County's most vulnerable populations, the elderly and children with disabilities. Through a grant, the Sheriff's Office purchased Project Lifesaver tracking equipment, developed to locate individuals prone to wandering, particularly those afflicted with Alzheimer's and autism. The individuals wear a bracelet equipped with a transmitter. If they are reported to wander, deputies using the equipment will find them in less than half an hour, on an average.

Deputies and detectives from the Sheriff's Office took part in investigations of two dramatic crimes: the stabbing murder of a security guard by a resident of the Renaissance Project, an alcohol and drug rehab center, and a gunpoint robbery by a man wearing a mask at the Bank of America in Woodstock. Richard Giga was apprehended for the murder; a warrant for the arrest of Jahson Marryshow, wanted in the robbery, has been issued.

Having pushed for reinstatement of the Federal government's Excess Property Program, the Sheriff's Office applied for equipment and received a surplus Army humvee from Fort Drum in upstate New York. On arrival in October, the on-road, off-road vehicle was pressed into action to help the victims of flooding in Shandaken. Thanks to volunteer labor by career and technical students at Ulster BOCES, the camouflaged green humvee has just been "made over" with a new coat of black paint.

A milestone of cooperation was reached between the Sheriff's Office and the New York State Police when NYSP vehicles plugged in to the Sheriff's mobile data communication system and automatic vehicle locator. A mobile data system allows users to communicate with each other and a dispatcher in real time, instead of all communications being transmitted through a dispatcher to the individual officers. The system is composed of wireless computer terminals installed in patrol cars and dispatch centers. Grants from the Department of Homeland Security supported the costs of the equipment and networking.

Correction Sgt. C.J. Polacco, Deputy Don Hughes and Deputy Kevin Richards volunteered for a humanitarian mission in Haiti in early 2010.



URGENT

URGENT combats drugs, gangs and other criminal activity around the clock. This inter-agency task force operates under the command of Detective Lt. Edwin Brewster of the Sheriff's Office. The unit is a steady disrupting force against criminal activity ranging from cocaine and heroin trafficking to New-York-based gang operations active in Ulster. The range of offenses investigated by URGENT includes illegal firearms and prostitution as well as drug crime.



The following agencies have members assigned to URGENT: Ulster County Sheriff's Office, Kingston Police, Town of Lloyd Police, Town of New Paltz Police, Town of Plattekill Police, Town of Woodstock Police, Town of Shandaken Police, Ulster County Probation and United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).

URGENT 2010

Cases opened/assisted	246
Persons arrested	206
Gang members arrested	36 Bloods, 3 Crips, 2 Latin Kings, 1 OMG
Charges	613
Felonies	373
Misdemeanors	199
Violations	29
Search warrants	29

Seizures

	2010	2009
Cars	6	4
Guns	25	29
Cash	\$312,334.00	\$66,716.00
Cocaine (grams)	438	831
Heroin (decks)	1,560	1,005
Marijuana (lbs)	186.5	52.94
Ecstasy (tabs)	49	260
Pharmaceuticals (pills)	718	696
Hashish (grams)	44.7	3.5
LSD (hits)	30	

FROM THE URGENT 2010 CASE FILES

February Gang intelligence leads to arrest for first degree murder.

Charles King, age 21, is shot in the head execution-style on Cedar St. in the City of Kingston. Intelligence developed by URGENT suggests that the murder was a gang-related “hit” by members of the Bloods street gang. The murder was allegedly ordered by Jarrin Rankin, an inmate in the Ulster County Jail, after Rankin learned that King was a witness against him in another gang-related shooting for which Rankin was currently incarcerated. A coordinated effort leads to the arrest of Rankin’s brother Trevor Mattis and Gary Griffen on charges of Murder in the 1st Degree. In addition, 5 other individuals, including Rankin, are charged with felonies in the case.

May Money laundering investigation yields cash seizure.

URGENT members seize more than \$275,000, the culmination of the force’s involvement in an investigation of international narcotics and money laundering begun during 2008.

August Murder for hire foiled

URGENT receives information that Edward McFarland, an inmate in the Ulster County Jail, has approached another inmate about murdering two witnesses who are scheduled to testify against McFarland in a sexual abuse case. URGENT teams up with Kingston Police detectives to record several conversations between McFarland and the other inmate. Confronted with the evidence, McFarland confesses to the incident and is subsequently charged with several additional felonies.

September 7 URGENT assists with investigation of shooting near Onteora High School.

A cooperative investigation is initiated by the New York State Police, the Sheriff’s Office and URGENT, following a reported shooting and home invasion in which the armed perpetrators fled towards Onteora High School. The school is locked down, and students present for after-school activities are safely removed. Through investigation, several street names of individuals involved are developed. URGENT members, through their gang intelligence knowledge, are able to match these street names with actual suspects’ names, and all are located within several hours in the City of Kingston.



Seized in URGENT arrests (clockwise from top left): cocaine; heroin, crack and marijuana; marijuana and cash, more marijuana and cash; heroin and crack; sawed-off shotgun

TRAINING UNIT (Criminal Division)

The Criminal Division Training Unit includes 27 General Topic instructors, many of whom are qualified to give “Train the Trainer” law enforcement instruction. During 2010, the Training Unit assisted Ulster County Community College Police Training program by giving instruction in Firearms, Domestic Violence, Conducting Traffic Stops, Active Shooter, and Building Searches.

A multi-agency training was conducted at the Sheriff’s Offices of Dutchess, Columbia, and Ulster counties and at the National Guard base for physical fitness and defensive tactics.

Every member of the Sheriff’s Office receives annual training, in compliance with federal and state law, on topics such as Right to Know, Workplace Violence, and Airborne and Bloodborne Pathogens. During 2010, every sworn deputy sheriff completed four days of police training covering Defensive Tactics, Live Scan, Evidence, Fingerprints, Building Searches, Use of Force and Gangs. The training included two days at the firing range.

2010 Law Enforcement Courses

<i>Course Title</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Project Lifesaver Training	January
Domestic Violence Training	January
Field Training Officers Course	February
Instructor Development Course	March
Standardized Field Sobriety Test Certification	May
AEGIS /MDT	July - August
Emergency Vehicle Operator’s Course	August
DA DWI Conference	September
Physical Fitness Instructor School	November
Defensive Tactics Instructor School	December



Deputy Andi Stene (center left) instructed at the Investigating Animal Cruelty workshop sponsored by the NYS Humane Association, held at the Seneca County Law Enforcement Center, October 23, 2010.

CRIMINAL DIVISION

On call 24/7, the Criminal Division has three main branches: Road Patrol, Detectives, and Security Services. URGENT overlaps internally with other Criminal Division departments and also with the Ulster County Jail. The Criminal Division has 77 sworn personnel consisting of 57 full time officers encompassing supervisors, patrol officers and detectives and part-time officers.

ROAD PATROL

The Road Patrol operates from the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center and also from the four sub-stations located in Wallkill, Esopus, and Shandaken and at Joseph V. Resnick Airport in Wawarsing. Under the command of Captain Michael Freer, the road patrol comprises the main law enforcement force of the Sheriff's Office. These officers patrol roads and waterways, give assistance and protection, enforce the laws, and arrive on the scene when a crime or incident occurs. The department enforces orders of protection and maintains the governmental registry of sex offenders.

Specialized teams to which officers can be assigned include the Navigation Unit, the In-Water Search and Rescue Unit, and the K-9 Unit. Certain officers perform dedicated service of a specific kind, termed Special Programs. The URGENT, Internet Crimes Against Children, and Family Violence units fall under this category, as do specialized assignments including training, processing warrants and evidence, and grant-writing.

During 2010 the Criminal Division received **17,022** calls for service, compared to **16,396** during 2009.

Within the Road Patrol, **Perry M. Soule** was promoted to First Sergeant and **Kevin F. Richards** was promoted to Sergeant.

The following pages detail activity at the four sub-stations in Wawarsing, Wallkill, Esopus and Shandaken.

Wawarsing Station Zone 1

Patrolling the Towns of Ellenville, Wawarsing,
Rochester, Marbletown

155 Airport Rd.

Napanoch, NY 12458

(845) 647-2677

The new Zone 1 substation located at 155 Airport Road in Wawarsing is fully manned and operational. Nine deputies are assigned to the station, which has 3 interview rooms, a full bathroom with shower, and 2 locker rooms. A holding room and Sergeant's office as well as a Juvenile Interview Room complete this state-of-the-art police station.



Calls for Service			
Ellenville	422		
Marbletown	808		
Rochester	1,332		
Wawarsing	1,430		
Total	3,992		
	2010	2009	2008
Arrests			
DWI	36	33	62
ABC 65c	3	23	9
Drugs	16		
Warrant	69	55	78
All other	230	233	237
Total	353	344	386
Accidents			
Property	206	187	166
Damage			
Personal	55	56	71
Injury			
Fatal	2	0	1
Total	263	243	238
accidents			
TSLEDs	1,714	1,566	1,491
Civil papers served: 26			
Orders of protection served: 70			
Miles	143,129	94,004	187,878
patrolled			

February 19 Domestic Incident

Deputies responded to the report of a man threatening his girlfriend with a handgun, after his not being able to find his keys prompted an argument during which he punched her three times. The man turned out to be a convicted felon possessing an illegal handgun. He was arrested and charged with multiple crimes.

July 12 Burglary at the PX store

Burglars smashed the front window of the store located at the intersection of Rte. 209 and Queens Hwy in the Town of Rochester. They took cash, cigarettes and lottery tickets. Deputies apprehended them shortly after the break-in.

Wallkill Station Zone 2

Patrolling the Towns of Shawangunk, Gardiner,
Plattekill, Marlborough, Lloyd, New Paltz
Route 208, Wallkill
(845) 895-3011



Deputy Craig Miller

December 3 Deputies responded to a 911 dispatch for an address in Plattekill. A man had shown up at the home of his former girlfriend and her daughter, forced his way in, grabbed the woman's cell phone and then ripped out her landline phone as she was attempting to call 911. Seeing that she had made contact with 911, he fled but was pursued and arrested by deputies.

Calls for Service	
Gardiner	456
Lloyd	201
Marlboro	121
New Paltz	216
New Paltz Village	146
Plattekill	1263
Shawangunk	1,081
Total	3,484

	2010	2009	2008
Arrests			
DWI	66	9	9
ABC 65c*	2	2	0
Warrant	32	54	22
All other	91	104	64
Total	191	169	95
Accidents			
Property	64	89	73
Damage			
Personal	33	33	24
Injury			
Fatal	1	0	1
Total	108	122	98
accidents			
TSLEDs	636	769	356
Manpower	4	5	5
assigned full			
time			
Miles	62,386	71,831	64,283
patrolled			

***Terminology: ABC 65c**
Unlawful possession of an alcoholic beverage with the intent to consume by persons under the age of 21. The abbreviation refers to the Alcoholic Beverage Control Law § 65-c.

Esopus Station Zone 3

Patrolling the Town of Esopus, Rosendale,
Hurley, Kingston, Ulster, Saugerties

Salem Street

Port Ewen, New York

(845) 338-3640



Deputy Dave Hughes

April 2 Deputy arrests armed robber.

Responding to a reported armed robbery, Deputy Joe Sciutto checked for information on the reported suspect. He identified an address and drove to that location. The subject was not there, but Deputy Sciutto remained, keeping the residence under observation. When the subject did return, the deputy took him into custody.

July 6 Suicide averted.

Deputy Dave Hughes responded to the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge in reference to a suicidal subject. He located the subject on the bridge and kept him in conversation until he was physically able to stop him from jumping. Further investigation by Deputy Hughes revealed that the subject had bomb-making supplies in his apartment along with counterfeit money.

September 3 Deputy aids drowning victim.

Deputy Scott Buchinger responded to the scene of child who had drowned. Upon arrival the child was gasping for air, and the deputy provided emergency care. The child expelled the water from his lungs and began breathing normally.

Calls for Service

Esopus	2,700
Hurley	625
Kingston City	1,138
Kingston Town	202
Rosendale	1,178
Saugerties Town	617
Saugerties Village	117
Ulster	1,278
Out of County	71
Total	7,926

	2010	2009	2008
Arrests			
DWI	32	75	99
ABC 65c	1	5	8
Warrant	79	88	117
All other	209	213	332
Total	321	381	556
Accidents			
Property	178	253	605
Damage			
Personal	38	48	155
injury			
Fatal	0	3	3
Total	218	304	763
accidents			
Tickets	657	1860	827
Manpower	8	10	8
assigned full			
time			
Miles	175,004	199,582	135,720
patrolled			

Shandaken Station Zone 4

Patrolling the Towns of Shandaken, Woodstock,
Olive, Denning, Hardenburgh

State Route 28

Shandaken, New York

(845) 688-2233

August 10 Fatal MVA

Deputies responded to the report of a one-car motor vehicle accident on Rt 28 in Boiceville in which the passenger of the vehicle was thrown from the vehicle and pinned under the car. The passenger was pronounced dead at the scene.

September 8 Attempted homicide

Deputies responded to shots fired behind Onteora High School. Two victims were shot at 79 Deerfield Rd. in Boiceville as the result of a dispute. The suspects fled through the Onteora School parking lots,



causing the school to go in lockdown for several hours. A large manhunt was conducted, and the suspects were later apprehended in the City of Kingston. The gun used was located the next day in the wooded area directly behind the school. *Left: Eban Woullard and Brian Jones, arrested for attempted homicide.*

October 1 Flood

Shandaken was placed in a state of emergency due to severe flooding which caused damage in and around the hamlet of Pheonicia. The Esopus Creek overran its banks causing evacuations of residents. The In Water Search and Rescue Unit was put on standby during the flood.

November 1 Lost person, suicide

Deputies assisted Shandaken Police and forest rangers with conducting a search for a 20-year-old male subject. He had been left up in the mountains at a relative's residence and had not been heard from. Subject was eventually located deceased in the wooded area several days later, possibly as a result of a suicide.

Calls for Service

Denning	37
Hardenburgh	10
Olive	368
Shandaken	859
Woodstock	216
Total	1,490

	2010	2009	2008
Arrests			
DWI	14	6	32
ABC 65c	0	1	0
Drugs	13		
Warrant	43	9	14
All other	117	63	84
Total	187	79	130
Accidents			
Property	107	98	17
Damage			
Personal	27	16	14
Injury			
Fatal	1	0	1
Total	135	114	32
accidents			
UTTs	2712	793	535
Manpower	7	3	4
assigned full			
time			
Miles	90,524	52,000	82,692
patrolled			

DETECTIVE UNIT

The Detective Unit of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office is supervised by a Detective Lieutenant. There are 7 division members assigned to the unit and one member assigned to the multi-jurisdictional inter-county Family Violence Task Force.

The primary function of the Detective Unit is to apprehend those offenders who elude arrest at the hands of the patrol unit and to investigate incidents and offenses such as death cases, sex offenses, violent felony offenses, burglary and stolen property offenses, gambling offenses, and controlled substance offenses. The duties of the detective unit supplement those of the uniformed Patrol Unit.

In 2010, **Jason Bruck** and **Abram Markiewicz** were promoted from the rank of Deputy to Deputy Sheriff Detective.

DETECTIVE UNIT/INTERNET CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN

The ICAC Unit is a sub-division of the Detective Unit and is supervised by the detective sergeant. The ICAC Unit is staffed by detectives and a part time deputy sheriff. Its

mission is to identify, investigate, apprehend and prosecute internet sexual predators who exploit children through the use of computers and the internet. Since its inception, the Sheriff's ICAC Unit has conducted 48 criminal investigations resulting in the arrest and prosecution of eleven individuals on 54 felony charges since February 2008.

Case Statistics	2010
Total cases	372
Open	76
Type of Case	
Assault and Harassment	50
Homicide	1
Larceny (Felony)	31
Larceny (Misdemeanor)	14
Burglary	45
Sex Offenses	21
Death investigations	25
Motor Vehicle	14
Accidents	
Hunting Accident	1
Fraud and Identity	14
theft	
Bank Robbery	1
Counterfeit	7
Child Abuse	2
Arson	5
Promoting prison	17
contraband	
Background	28
investigations	
Other	96

ICAC Investigations	18
Closed by arrest	2
Closed by other	10
Open and active	6

DETECTIVE UNIT / WARRANTS

Active warrants on file with the Sheriff's Office are published on the Sheriff's website: www.co.ulster.ny.us/sheriff.

The public is encouraged to review the list. The Active Warrants link lists the wanted person's name, date of birth, last known address (town/city), the offense, and the date of issuance of the warrant.

The presence of a person's name on the list is not considered as probable cause to detain the subject, and the public is not to act on its own concerning any listed warrants.

Confirmation of the existence of a valid warrant is made to authorized individuals only.

	2010	2009	2008
Warrants Received	314	258	270
Bench Warrants	109	105	91
Arrest Warrants	143	88	104
Family Court Warrants	55	62	72
Probation Warrants	3	3	3
Fugitive from Justice	0	0	0
Warrants Closed by Arrest	179	185	181
Warrants Closed by Other	55	82	84
(Vacate/Recall/CBI)			

DETECTIVE UNIT / EVIDENCE

As part of the criminal investigation process, evidence is logged and held. Evidence can include stolen property, illegal firearms and surfaces carrying fingerprints. Substances such as blood and DNA samples are sent to a forensic lab for chemical analysis. Evidence is held until the case has completed the court

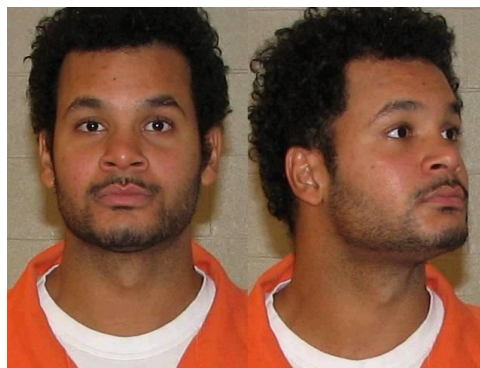
process and a verdict has been reached. Then, items such as stolen property are returned to the owner; other items such as narcotics and illegal weapons are destroyed. DNA samples will stay in evidence until a possible appeal process has been exhausted.

	2010	2009	2008
Total items taken	2,874	2,186	1,426
Total items disposed of	254	321	218
Total firearms taken	119	225	135
Total drugs taken	387	555	486
Total amount of currency	\$306,353.02	\$63,657.02	\$86,706.38

FROM THE DETECTIVE DIVISION 2010 CASE FILES

Bank of America Bank Robbery, Case 2010-8249

Members of the Ulster County Sheriff's Office responded to a reported armed bank robbery at the Bank of America in Woodstock. An investigation ensued with the Detective Unit leading. A suspect was soon developed as Jahson Marryshow of Tanglewood Road in West Hurley. Marryshow (*pictured right*) has been indicted for First Degree Robbery, Second Degree Arson, and Fourth Degree Grand Larceny. There is a current active arrest



warrant for him, and he is being sought by members of law enforcement.

Homicide at the Renaissance Project in Wawarsing, Case 2010-13179

Members of the Sheriff's Office responded to a reported stabbing. One victim was alive and being taken to the Ellenville Hospital after suffering stab wounds and being involved in a motor vehicle accident. Another victim was found deceased in the security office of the Renaissance Project. A suspect was soon developed as Richard Giga (*right*). An investigation ensued led by the UCSO Detective Unit. Approximately 13 hours later, Giga was located in a house undergoing renovation, about 1.3 miles from the project and only .2 miles from where he had been involved in a motor vehicle accident while attacking his second victim. Giga has since been indicted on Murder 2nd charges and is in the Ulster County Jail awaiting trial.



Internet Crimes Against Children (ICAC) Investigation, Case 2010-1759

Acting in her undercover capacity as a 14-year-old female, Deputy Tuey made contact with a subject who was later identified as Daniel Gillen, age 57, from Hingham, MA (*pictured right*), a corporate lawyer for the Stop & Shop grocery store chain. After several months of internet chat, Gillen agreed to come and meet the person he thought was a 14-year-old female. He was taken into custody at the Hudson Valley Mall food court. He had with him two Viagra pills and wine coolers, and he subsequently admitted to coming to meet the girl to have sex. He was charged with the felony of Attempting to Disseminate Indecent Material to a Minor and Attempting to Endanger the Welfare of a Minor. He has been bailed out and is awaiting trial.



Capri Motel Arson Fire, Case 2010-16599

On December 20, members of the Detective Unit were asked by the Ulster County Arson Task Force to respond to a suspicious fire at the Capri Motel on Rt. 9W in Port Ewen. An investigation ensued, and it was determined that the fire was deliberately set by Christopher Medick, age 49, who was homeless at the time of the fire and staying with friends. Medick was angry with one of the residents of the motel, and he broke into his room and set a fire. Half the motel was burned down in the process. Medick was charged with Arson 2nd and remanded to the Ulster County Jail. He remains in jail awaiting Grand Jury action.



NAVIGATION UNIT During 2010 the Navigation Unit was on the water for 504 hours with an accumulated total of 1,024 man hours on the water patrolling. The unit conducted 600 on-water safety inspections of bridges, fuel storage and like buildings and structures; 300 launch site/marina inspections, 68 vessel safety boarding inspections, 20 vessel/person assists, 12 search and rescues and 2 accident investigations. 55 warning tickets were issued, 3 tickets were issued, and 1 boating-while-intoxicated arrest was made. The unit assisted in the recovery of the bodies of 4 individuals who perished in the Hudson River. One of the individuals drowned, and three jumped off the Kingston-Rhinecliff Bridge. The Navigation Unit also assisted the United States Coast Guard with inspections and boardings. It assisted with a variety of events, including triathlons, kayaking, swimming, and fishing events.



The following letter was published on August 25, 2010 in the *Daily Freeman*.

Lifesavers on the water

Dear Editor:

At 3:10 p.m. on July 31, the Rip Van Winkle was cruising south on the Hudson River near Esopus Island when a crew member reported a passenger was experiencing a medical problem. Three minutes later, the crew member determined that the passenger should be evacuated to medical care.

A call was made to Ulster County Sheriff's patrol boat M27, the situation was explained and Deputy Steyer stated he would notify Kingston Fire Department and Mobile Life Ambulance. The Rip Van Winkle turned and traveled toward Kingston.

At 3:30 p.m., the Sheriff's boat met the Rip Van Winkle near Sturgeon Point. Medical personnel from the Kingston Fire Department, Station 3, and Hudson Valley Mobile Life ambulance boarded the vessel. The patient was assessed; oxygen and intravenous therapies were begun. The patient was placed on the Sheriff's boat using a Stokes litter, and three of the patients family members were assisted into the boat.

At 3:47 p.m., the Sheriff's boat was away toward Kingston and advanced medical help. The situation had a happy ending. The patient recovered and was doing well two days later.

Having advanced medical personnel on the vessel within 17 minutes was possibly a lifesaver. It would have taken the Rip Van Winkle an hour to return to dock and evacuate the passenger.

The response by M27, its crew Deputy Steyer and Deputy Jimmy Mullen, along with Kingston fire personnel and ambulance personnel shows that past evacuation drills have paid off.

The Hudson River is a busy waterway. Having a professionally crewed fast response boat on the river is important to all who use the river for commerce and pleasure every day.

JEFF WHITAKER

Kingston

The writer is from Hudson River Cruises Inc.

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IN-WATER SEARCH & RESCUE UNIT

This unit consists of 14 members from the Corrections and Criminal division. They are trained in Dive and Swift Water rescue. The Sheriff's office currently has an Emergency Response Dive Vehicle, and two watercraft that are used in assignments. The team is ready to respond 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The team responded to 16 calls for service in 2010.

The following is a list of notable incidents:

April 15 Assisted Greene County Sheriff's Office with the recovery of a drowning victim in North Lake

July 3 Recovered the victim in a drowning incident in the Hudson River

October 1 Assisted Shandaken Police with the evacuation of Flood Victims

November 26 Assisted with the recovery of a vehicle occupied by 3 individuals that entered the creek on Fording Place Rd.



SHERIFF'S K-9 UNIT

The K-9 teams are a critical part of this agency's work. They have a long history in this office going back two decades with the arrival of K-9 Ben in 1991. Since then, our units have grown in numbers, skill and professionalism and are completely integrated in this agency's police and investigation work. K-9 units also play a key role in building goodwill for USCO in the local community. Through appearances in parades, fairs, and other community events, these teams create a connection with people and particularly with children that is absolutely unique.

K9 UNIT STATISTICS

	2010	2009	2008
Self generated K9 uses	39	109	102
Assist UCSO members	41	31	52
Assist other agencies	96	74	90
Call outs	3	1	23
Vehicle searches	85	137	182
Area searches	2	3	5
Building searches	3	5	5
Narcotics searches	102	158	190
Explosive searches	1	3	8
Cadaver searches	0	6	
Tracking incidents	63	44	57
Article searches	14	2	10
Jail details	15	21	14
Parades and demonstrations	14	9	12
Drug finds	20	17	47
Suspect finds	22	8	21



Criminal Division K-9 Teams: Deputy James Slinsky and Kilo, Sgt. Wally Fulford and Drago, Deputy George Carlson and Griff, Deputy Chad Story and Blex, Deputy Tom Lattin and Beal

FROM THE K9 UNIT 2010 CASE FILES

February 4 Quick Chek robbery

Sgt. Wally Fulford responded to a call for assistance from Kingston PD. A suspect had fled on foot from the Quick Chek on Albany Ave after stealing cigarettes from behind the counter. K9 Drago tracked the scent up and down side streets behind the Quick Chek before ultimately coming back out onto Albany Ave in the direction of Foxhall Ave. Right at that moment Kingston Police reported a subject seen running down Foxhall Ave. The suspect was apprehended with the proceeds.

May 7 Vehicle searched, cash seized

A Sheriff's patrol stopped a vehicle on Route 199 in the Town of Ulster and detected the odor of marihuana. After deputies interviewed the driver, Deputy James Slinsky deployed K9 Kilo to search the vehicle. A duffle bag was located on the rear floor, containing \$270,000 in US currency. The currency was seized by the Sheriff's Office.

Sept 1 Burglars caught

Deputy Jim Slinsky responded to 435 Queens Hwy to track from the scene of a burglary. Kilo tracked east on Queens Hwy in the direction of a quarry. Ulster County 911 advised that a witness reported three subjects exiting the woods by the quarry and getting into a red vehicle. The vehicle was traveling east on Queens Hwy then north on State Route 209. Deputy Slinsky pursued by car, catching up to the suspects on Lucas Ave. where they were found to be in possession of the burglary proceeds. All three were arrested.

Sept 21 Thief apprehended at Rondout Harbor complex

Sgt. Fulford and Drago were requested to track a suspect who fled from an attempted break-in at the Rondout Harbor apartment complex. Drago tracked from the front door of the residence to the rear of the complex and down Connelly Rd., where Deputy Mario Tagliafierro located a subject being detained. The track went directly to the suspect. Later, the suspect was arrested for grand larceny from a previous night's incident in which he stole credit cards and money from a woman living in the apartment. He was returning to her residence that night for more.

October 27 URGENT/FEDEX package search

Deputy Tom Lattin and K9 Beal assisted URGENT and FEDEX with the search of several packages. Beal alerted upon 2 separate boxes. One contained a felony weight of hashish, and the other contained marihuana.

Oct 29 K9 tracks suspects who assaulted deputy.

Sgt. Fulford and Drago were called in to pursue two men who had assaulted Deputy Kyle Frano on Indian Springs Rd. and then fled. Drago tracked their scents for half a mile up Indian Springs Road. The dog alerted in a wooded area where Sgt. Fulford could see 2 men running who fit the descriptions of the suspects. Several announcements were given to stop, but they continued to run. Drago was deployed giving chase. A short time later, one of the suspects was apprehended by other deputies. Drago tracked the second suspect to a barn on private property; he was hiding on the roof. After several hours of negotiations, he gave up and was arrested.

ULSTER COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (UCERT)

This unit is a multi-jurisdictional team that supports the various municipalities of the County with a tactical response to critical incidents. It is composed of a tactical entry unit, a perimeter containment unit, and a crisis negotiation unit composed of police officers of each of the participating municipalities. Critical incidents may include but are not limited to hostage situations, barricade situations, a sniper, high-risk apprehension, high-risk warrant search, personal protection of special persons such as VIPs, witnesses or suspects, special assignments and an act of terrorism.

SECURITY SERVICES UNIT

To ensure a safe environment for employees and visitors is the role of this unit. Uniformed deputy sheriffs and security officers provide security at the County Office Building, Department of Social Services, Mental Health, Probation, Veteran's Agency, Purchasing and the Trudy Resnick Building. To the right are 2010 statistics from several security locations.

Supervisors noted that DSS saw record numbers of people through its doors during 2010 as the economy grew worse. Deputies and security officers helped to keep order.

Nov. 15 Officer's action helps close larceny investigation

Deputy Michael Nicolosi at the Office of Probation observed a suspicious vehicle parked outside. He watched the three occupants on the security cameras and made inquiries. Eventually he developed information useful to Marlboro and Lloyd police who were investigating a rash of larcenies in southern Ulster County. The information opened up the case and led to several arrests.

Department of Social Services	Total
Magnascanner Count	346,946
Weapons held for safekeeping	1416
Incident Reports	25
Assistance calls	815
Investigate report of fire	5
Warrant arrests	9
Other arrests	8
Medical calls	12
Parking Calls	6
TsLEDs	13
Parking Tickets	1
Probation	
Magnascanner count	34,658
Weapons held for safekeeping	125
Assistance calls	160
Warrant arrests	24
Office of Mental Health	
Code Blue alarms*	76
Stand By	61
Escorts	1,442
Smokers	738
Medical emergencies	16
Accidents	2
Non-Criminal Complaints	22
Lockouts	3
Weapons Secured	214
Other / Misc	2,793
(Security checks, battery boosts, assistance requests, fire drills)	

Terminology:* **Code Blue alarms are panic alarms installed in every office, used to alert officers of violent situations or serious medical emergencies.

COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING

The Sheriff's Office promotes safety and crime protection through community campaigns which benefit and educate citizens. Programs include:

PROJECT LIFESAVER

This is a search-and-rescue program for locating individuals who have wandered, such as those afflicted with Alzheimers, dementia and autism. Nine sheriffs' deputies are trained in the use of this equipment. The individual wears a personalized wristband that emits a tracking signal. Should he or she become lost, a call to 911 will result in a Sheriff's rescue team to be deployed to the area. They use antenna equipment to find the wanderer in a half an hour or less. The speedy rescue time greatly enhances the chance that the person will be returned safely.



CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

Deputies go out in the community to teach proper use and installation of child safety seats. When used correctly, child safety seats reduce the risk of fatal injury by 71%. Every year, sheriff's deputies install or give away 300 child seats, purchased with grant money, to those who meet the criteria.



OPERATION SAFE CHILD ID

The Sheriff's Office participates in the state-wide Operation SAFE CHILD ID. The program allows a child's photograph, fingerprints and biographical information to be stored in Albany to be used in the event the child is missing so that an Amber Alert can be activated. Deputies print the cards on site at schools and community events.

SHERIFF'S SUMMER CAMP

The NYS Sheriffs' Association Institute Summer Camp offers a camp experience to children across New York who otherwise might not have a chance to go. Located in Penn Yan, NY, the camp helps foster good relations between these children and the men and women of law enforcement, with sheriff's deputies serving as counselors and conducting demonstrations related to police work. In 2010, the Ulster County Sheriff's Office sent 31 children to the camp, our highest number ever.

EXPLORER POST #129

The Ulster County Sheriff's Explorer Post #129, consisting of youth cadets, is a worksite based program for young men and women 14 to 20 years of age residing in Ulster County and interested in a law enforcement career. This program offers the Explorer Cadets hands-on learning.

CIVIL DIVISION

The Sheriff serves as the enforcement officer of the courts and legal community regarding civil matters. The Civil Division serves and executes the various legal processes issued by the non-criminal courts of the state and its subdivisions, as well as the legal community and the public.

The purpose of civil process is to give a defendant notice that a legal action or a proceeding is going to commence. Although any citizen 18 years or older can serve process if he or she is not party to the action, Sheriff's Offices are asked to serve process because of their traditionally good record keeping practices and professional service.

Specific civil processes include income executions, property executions, evictions, orders of attachment (seizures of property which may be used to satisfy a judgment); orders of seizure (seizures of items of personal property whose ownership and possession is disputed); and civil arrests. In each case, papers must be delivered in person to the defendant.

The Civil Division carries out pistol permits licensing, background checks, accident reports and accounting for jail bail and fine monies and the jail commissary.

During 2010, there was an average **decrease of 7.48% in papers processed** for service compared to 2009. **Revenues decreased 2.05%**. This difference is due to an increase in income execution revenue of 51.5% and in general fee revenue of 35.6%, despite a decrease of 50.6% in property execution revenue. The decline in property execution revenue is partly due to a change in the law concerning the personal property exemption. The change sets a threshold amount of money in the debtor's account, before his or her assets can be levied. The declining economy also played a part. As individuals have been compelled to sell off assets to make ends meet, fewer assets are available to be levied in property executions. Below is a summary of the division's performance.

Civil Papers Docketed 2010

Total papers received and docketed for service (summons, complaints, orders, evictions)	1,244
Income Executions	
First stage process	1,517 plus 3 reserved
Second stage process	741 (173 new)
Total income executions	2,258
Property Executions	
Service/levy	99
Vehicle levy	9
Real property sale	5
Deed signing	1
Order of seizure	4
Order of attachment	1
Commitment orders/Civil arrests	5
Total Property Executions	124
Total Executions Processed	2,382
New Executions Received	1,814

Services Summary 2010

Family Court	314
Evictions completed	133
Evictions cancelled	185
Summons	229
Other services	53
Total services	875
Returns	127
Jurors served	80
Subpoenas returned	65
Total papers served (income and property executions, summonses)	3,302
Annual decrease	267

During 2010, the Civil Division took in a total of \$3,329,740.91, comprising monies from income executions, property executions, fees and bail. Of this, the County retained the fees summarized below and disbursed the remainder to creditors and others as required.

Fees Collected 2010

	2010	2009
Income executions	173,144.09	181,722.87
Property executions	19,717.69	19,071.89
General / misc. fees		
Service fees	70,965.68	64,204.20
Pistol fees	25,024.50	26,933.00
Fingerprint fees	490.00	1,170.00
Record fees	2,800	3,445.00
Accident fees	299.45	355.00
Photo fees	2,887.50	7,796.00
Other fees	296.75	625.00
Total remitted to County	\$295,625.66	\$301,322.36
Decrease in 2010	\$5,696.70	

Pistol Permit Statistics 2010

New Licenses Issued	584
Dealer/Gunsmith Licenses Issued	40
Duplicate Licenses Issued	553
Amendments Processed	4226
New Applications filed	406
Applications Pending	192
People Fingerprinted	168
QICS*	2551

***Terminology: QICS**

The abbreviation refers to a check done on the applicant according to a requirement of the Brady Law. It reveals if that applicant is prohibited from acquiring a handgun.



Ulster County

SHERIFF

Corrections Division



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SUPERINTENDENT JAMES R. HANSTEIN**



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I. ADMINISTRATION

A. THE DETENTION FACILITY (UCLEC)

During the 3rd full year of operations, Ulster County Law Enforcement Center (UCLEC) includes the Ulster County Sheriff's Office, the Ulster County Corrections Division and the Civil Division. It is 277,000 square feet, which includes inmate housing, a medical department, and classes for G.E.D. through the Kingston School District, among other services. The jail has a rated capacity of 426 inmates as stated by the New York State Department of Corrections. The Corrections Division is supervised by a mandated security staff of 157. Built-in design features enable the Corrections Division to be expanded to a higher capacity of 502 by double bunking. The Ulster County Law Enforcement Center continually conforms to the Rules & Regulations set forth by the New York State Corrections Law and the New York State Commission of Corrections.

Committed to the jail are prisoners that may be charged with any type of crime or violation, including homicide, sex crimes, DWI, trespassing, etc. In order to provide a safe and secure correctional institution for these inmates, the Sheriff's Office employs both full and part-time correction personnel. These positions consist of correction officers, corporals, sergeants, 3 lieutenants, 2 captains, a warden and a superintendent.

B. DAILY POPULATION

The 2010 high count of 370 occurred on October 24th and the low count of 269 occurred on January 1st. The overall daily population averaged 334 in 2010, an 11% increase from 2009. Once more, the female population remained high, averaging 42 per day.

C. REVENUES

In October of 2007 the New York State Commission of Corrections allowed the Corrections Division to board in inmates from other jurisdictions. In June, 2008, UCLEC began receiving Federal inmates.

As a result of these agreements, Ulster County received a total of 261 inmates for 14,829 days, amounting to a total of \$1,324,045 in revenue. Of the total board-ins, 24 inmates were Federal inmates for 3,396 days. This accounted for \$352,410 of the total revenue. Federal transports reimbursement amounted to \$11,865. Reimbursement from DOCS for travel totaled \$14,922. The grand total of both state and federal transports amounted to \$26,788.

The Ulster County Sheriff's Office and Social Security Administration have worked together since 1999 on an Incentive Payment Agreement. This agreement exists with the Ulster County Jail providing inmate information to Social Security whereas Social Security then, if applicable, suspends benefit payments to the person(s) incarcerated. The amount of payment is determined by Social Security receiving the report within 30 days after the date of confinement begins. In this case \$400.00 would be applied per inmate. If the report is received after 30 days, but within 90 days of confinement, \$200.00 would be received. The UC Treasurer's General Fund received \$23,600 from the Social Security Incentive Program for FY'10.

SCAAP is a Federal program that gives partial reimbursement for the cost of incarcerating undocumented criminal aliens, netting Ulster County \$12,198 for the FY '10.

Revenue for the Ulster County Corrections Division amounted to **\$1,413,417**.

D. BAILS AND FINES

The Correction Division processed 590 bail postings and 1 fine. Total monies received by the facility were \$1,119,076 in bails and \$325 in fines. We also allow individuals to post bail using credit cards. In 2010, a total of 168 bails were posted by credit card amounting to \$292,809. The individuals that were incarcerated continue to represent a population with major substance abuse, communicable diseases and violent criminal histories. This type of population spends more sentenced time in jail and requires more direct supervision by officers. Many of the inmates represented by this type of population are recidivists – repeat offenders.

E. OVERTIME / PART TIME

Overtime and part time compensation for staff are essential in providing coverage for post coverage, staff vacancies, training, one-on-one supervisions, and transportation of sentenced and awaiting-sentence population. In 2010, money spent on overtime was \$718,599, an increase of 32.5% from the previous year.

Part time totaled \$199,432, a decrease of 52% due to part time hours being cut to half time. There were 270 inmates placed on one-on-one supervision which requires an officer assigned to the post 24 hrs. / day. (Three 8 hour shifts, 24 hours). The inmates were supervised for 365 days with multiple posts on many of the days. The constant supervision post is above and beyond the minimum staffing requirement for the UCLEC. As a result all of the coverage is accomplished with overtime and part time staffing.

F. ACCREDITATION MEDICAL

Correction staff continues to work closely with Correction Medical Care (CMC) to maintain accreditation. For the last eight years, the medical dept. has maintained the Standards of the National Commission on Correctional Health Care.

G. N.Y.S. COMMISSION OF CORRECTION/SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION ACCREDITATION PROGRAM

UCLEC's mandated cycle review with the New York State Commission of Corrections occurred on November 16th, 17th, and 18th of 2010. The review consists of the following standards: admissions, security and supervision, prisoner hygiene, discipline, visitation, exercise, classification, food service, sanitation, personnel standards and the grievance program. The UCLEC facility continues to meet all of the requirements to maintain the accreditation by the New York State Sheriff's Association.

II. INMATE RECORDS

A. RECEPTION, INTAKE & CLASSIFICATION

The Ulster County Jail's Intake / Classification Unit processed 2,405 initial classification screenings for the FY'10. Classification is based on age, prior criminal history, any gang affiliation, propensity for victimization, history of medical / mental illness, history of sex offenses, history of hostile relationships with other inmates, prior attempts at self injury or suicide, prior escapes or attempted escapes, attitude and behavior during present and prior incarcerations including any history of menacing behavior, victimization during incarceration, and any other information which may affect the safety and welfare of staff or other inmates.

1,337 re-classifications were also processed in 2010. Reclassification occurs if an inmate causes a disturbance, violates a rule or law, or is found guilty in the disciplinary process. It can also change when an inmate exhibits good behavior and follows the rules and regulations of the facility.

The breakdown of the inmates includes county admission, other counties admission, state and federal:

	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Total of Ulster County Admissions	1,696	391	2,087
Board-ins			
Other Counties	195	20	215

State	74	7	81
Federal	18	0	18
Other	4	0	4
TOTAL	1,987	418	2,405

Of the 2,405 inmates that were processed through the Ulster County Jail in 2010, sentencing is as follows:

	Male	Female	Total
Non-Sentenced	1,510	342	1,852
Sentenced (Definite)	186	49	235
Other (Board-ins, State, Federals, Housed Out)	291	27	318
TOTAL	1,987	418	2,405

The *Local Conditional Release Program* is handled by New York State Parole. Eligibility requirements for inmates include a definite sentence from a local court, with a minimum of 90 days left to serve. Those inmates that are eligible can submit an application to New York State Parole, after serving a minimum of 30 days, and must serve 60 days before release to this program. In 2010 three (3) applications were submitted for consideration, all three were denied.

B. VICTIM NOTIFICATION (VINE)

The National Victim Notification Network, VINE (Victim Information and Notification Everyday) allows crime victims across the country to obtain timely and reliable information about criminal cases and the custody status of offenders 24 hours a day. Victims and other concerned citizens can also register to be notified by phone, email, or TTY device. Registered users are notified immediately if an offender's status changes, such as release, transfer or escape. When a notification is triggered, VINE automatically continually calls the number(s) or sends an e-mail that the victim has provided. The Ulster County Sheriff's Office has continued to participate in the statewide victim notification program with Lt. Nicholas Scott II and Sgt. John Steketee as coordinators. For the FY'10, the Ulster County Jail received 129,618 calls and made 2,488 notifications to victims. Additionally, 318 new victims requested notification. The general public can gain access by calling 1-888-846-3469 or logging on to www.vinelink.com, which 408 victims used. 246 victims were notified by e-mail.

C. COMPUTERIZATION UPDATE

The Correction Division has been working with New World Systems (NWS) since July, 2004. NWS provides tailored reports for the Commission of Correction and in-house statistics such as electronic log books, live scans, and digital mug shots. Additionally, it will enable other police agencies to interface with our inmates and arrest records. A total of 61 teletypes were sent on NYSPIN. Files include: File 25 Administrative messages (Fugitive Notification) and ICE Immigration Inquiries.

In addition to NYSPIN, this agency subscribes to E-Justice & E-Justice Portal Access. In May of 2007, the start up of E-Justice occurred supplementing the NYSPIN System. This agency currently has 47 active members with access to both E-Justice and the Portal Access. Uses include: Daily Jail Reporting (DPRF), Wanted Persons Inquiries, Criminal History Information and State Ready & Parole Ready reporting to NYS DOCS.

III FACILITY OPERATIONS

FACILITY REPORTS

A. GRIEVANCES

A grievance is an inmate's written a complaint concerning facility policies, procedures, rules, practices, programs, or the actions or inactions of any person / services within the facility. All attempts are made to resolve the grievance in house. The Grievance Officer is designated by the Superintendent and available to help the inmate through the grievance process. Categories for inmate grievances are taken from the New York State Minimum Standards. Sgt. Kerry Winters was appointed as the full time grievance coordinator for 2010.

TYPE OF GRIEVANCE	# OF COMPLAINTS	RESULTS	
Medical	73	Denied	56
Food Service	17	Accepted	0
Legal Service	11	Pending	0
Commissary	15	Resolved in House	158
Exercise	4	Returned	27
Staff Conduct	77	I/M Released	14
Religion	15	No longer	6
Miscellaneous	59	processed	8
		Unfounded	1
		Appeal to SCOC	1
TOTAL	271	Total	271

B. INMATE HEARINGS

The Ulster County Jail disciplinary hearing panel reviewed 1,623 hearings by C.O. Michael Arcadipane. With the population increase from board-ins, and more violent type of offender being incarcerated, the number of infractions increased 24%, from 2009. Several years ago the NYS Minimum Standard Section 7006. was amended to allow the county to place a surcharge on any inmate that is found guilty at a disciplinary hearing. A total of \$3,969.00 FY'10 in surcharges was received from inmates, a 15% increase. A total of 814 inmates were involved in disciplinary matters / incidents for FY'10. Hearings were ranked and placed in the following categories:

CATEGORY	2008	2009	2010
Failure to comply	281	320	422
Assaults on other inmates	155	87	122
Assaults on staff	14	12	19
Contraband	34	74	51
Smoking	27	46	12
Destruction of property	8	17	16
Disorderly conduct	125	136	263
Abusive language or threats	171	173	270
Miscellaneous	300	360	400
Throwing of any Liquid or Substance	34	18	35
Failure to Attend School	0	5	13
Totals	1,149	1,248	1623

*A total of \$116 was imposed for destruction of county property in 2010.

C. REPORTABLE INCIDENTS

As mandated by the New York State Correction Law, the New York State Commission of Corrections provides an internal and commission review of all incidents of a serious or potentially problematic nature. The following is a list of incidents that are to be reported to the Commission (a 26 % increase from '09):

REPORTABLE INCIDENT CATEGORIES	2008	2009	2010
Deaths	0	2	0
Assaults	8	10	20
Sexual Assaults	0	0	0
Attempted Suicide	3	1	6
Self Inflicted Injuries	4	5	0
Accidental Injuries	2	2	4
Contagious Illness	0	0	0
Inmate Group Actions	0	0	0
Major Disturbances	0	0	0
Individual Inmate Disturbance	3	10	15
Natural / Civil Emergency	0	0	0
Major Maintenance or Service Disruption	0	0	0
Minor Disturbances	5	2	4
Personal Group Actions	0	0	0
Firearms Discharges	0	0	0
Fires	0	0	0
Escapes	0	1	0
Attempted Escapes	0	0	1
Absconders	0	0	0
Contraband	7	16	16
Hostage	0	0	0
Total:	32	49	66
Arrests:		20	19

SPECIAL UNITS

A. GANG INTELLIGENCE UNIT

In an effort to combat the growing gang presence, the Gang Intelligence Unit gathers and validates information regarding individuals identified as members of Security Risk Groups (SRG). The Ulster County Sheriff's Office Gang Intelligence Unit works closely with the Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team (URGENT). These include: the Kingston Police Department, the Towns of Ulster, Saugerties, Lloyd, New Paltz, Plattekill, and Shandaken, United States Probation, and the United States Immigration Customs Enforcement (I.C.E.).

Upon admission, with the assistance of U.R.G.E.N.T., inmates are assessed based on: self-admission, tattoos, clothing colors, beads, and hand signs. With the gathered information, the Gang Intelligence Unit can evaluate and analyze ways that provide decisions regarding housing and transporting inmates. The individuals' propensity for engaging in Security Risk Group related activity is evaluated. This information allows the facility to better plan searches, to appropriately adjust inmate housing, work assignments and visits to avoid potentially violent situations.

As seen in the following numbers listed, a total of 67 gang members entered the Ulster County Jail in FY'10. All of these gang members have been positively identified by Members of the Gang Intelligence Unit and have had all of their personal information and gang affiliations documented and stored for further reference.

Categories:

Bloods:	42
Crips:	16
Latin Kings:	5
Other	4

Total Confirmed Gang Members for the year 2010: **67**

B. SHERIFF'S EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

Under the direction of Sgt C.J. Polacco and Corrections Officer Norman James, the Sheriff's Emergency Response Team (**S.E.R.T.**) was established in 1990. The team started with 8 officers, and grew to 23 specialized trained staff. Throughout the team's tenure, they have participated in numerous high risk, high security transports and trials. One of their main functions is to conduct facility shakedowns on a regular basis. S.E.R.T. members are assigned to handle facility problems, escort inmates to and from housing units and are prepared at a moment's notice to quell problems before they escalate. From time to time, S.E.R.T. is called upon to handle crowd/riot control for requesting agencies. The team completed over 600 hours of training. This training consisted of physical training in the weight room, chemical agents, cell extraction, cell searches, jail shake-downs, Article 35/Use of Force, hostage survival, and fire fighting and firearms certification. The Corrections Division and the Patrol Division continue to be joined together forming a larger and stronger S.E.R.T. team.

C. K-9 UNIT

The K-9 Unit has again been a valuable asset to facility operations of the Ulster County Jail. C.O. Caunitz and his new partner K-9 “Jagger” have shared information with the Gang Intelligence Unit and local police agencies, from their proactive security approach in Visits. Each visitor is subject to narcotics and contraband searches. With the combined efforts of the K-9 Unit, Visiting Team and the Sheriff’s Road Patrol, numerous arrests were made for both inmates and visitors through expired driver’s licenses, and registration.

The K-9 Unit, among its daily routines, is involved in visitor checks for contraband, car searches, perimeter checks, common rounds. There are 72 road blocks annually, shakedowns, and checking inmate mail. The K-9 Unit participated in demonstrations at the Ulster County Fair and in the search of inmate work crews i.e.; at the Cantine Field Pavilion in Saugerties, Malden Fire House, and churches. 2 arrests were made and taken over by the Road Patrol. 14,923 visitors were checked. The K-9 team is also responsible for searching inmate housing units. The K-9 Team received 3 call outs to help other agencies which resulted in narcotics and weapons found. Officer Caunitz also does 72 hours annually in narcotics training and in tracking with Jagger.

NIMS (NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM)

Under Homeland Security Presidential Directive-4, Sgt. Charles J. Polacco III continued to assist disciplines within Ulster County as the NIMS Coordinator to become compliant with the directive HSPD-4 (Homeland Security Presidential Directive-4).

During 2010 Sgt. Polacco continued to assist disciplines with the adoption of NIMS and the implementation of objectives for 2010. In 2010 some disciplines received ICS (Incident Command System) training, while others wrote EOP’S (Emergency Operations Plans). Some of these plans were tested by conducting table top exercises. Disciplines also set up NIMS Compliance Assistance Support Tool (NIMSCAST) accounts through the County NIMS Coordinator. This program reports the disciplines process of NIMS compliancy to the State and Federal Government.

Disciplines are working on planning full scale exercises, which will assist them in prevention, protection against, response to, and recovering from the effects of incidents, regardless, of cause, size, location, or complexity.

E. TRANSPORTION STATISTICS

Transport activity remained steady in all categories. Transporting officers must be thoroughly trained and provided with the equipment necessary to accomplish their task with efficiency and safety. Officers selected for this unit must exhibit the highest degree of mental, emotional and physical capabilities to successfully transport inmates. When transporting inmates for court appearances, the transporting officer must be alert to all conditions and potential hazards which surround the movement of the inmates to and from court. The transports include those inmates with scheduled medical appointments, funeral and deathbed visits and any other transport of inmates in our custody. Specialized equipment, vehicles and S.E.R.T. may be utilized for high-profile inmates, high risk inmates or transports for inmates with special medical and mental needs.

CATEGORY	2008	2009	2010
Number of Officer Hours	15,459	14,812	15,005
Number of Officers Utilized	4,397	4,533	4,595
Number of Inmates Transported	6,566	5,801	7,056
Total Miles	145,873	171,835	134,747
Local Courts Transports	1,535	1,494	1,827
State Transports	90	65	74
Medical Transports	360	318	388
Psych. Transports	5	12	2
Work Detail	345	216	216
Other *	808	802	480
Board – Ins	26	45	0
U.S. Federal Board-Ins	135	220	29
Total Trips	2,996	3,172	3,016

* Includes corrections assistant errands, funeral details, death bed visits, escort cars, UCAT, etc.

All department vehicles are utilized for the transportation of inmates to various courts within Ulster County: County Court, City Court, village, town and Family Courts, medical, dental and psychiatric examinations, drug and alcohol rehab facilities, Public Defender's Office, court order pickup at State correctional facilities and other county jails, delivering I/M's to psychiatric facilities (Mid-Hudson, Marcy and Hudson River). During this past year, we've also been picking up U.S. Federal inmates from airports or Albany County Jail). Transports also include those inmates with scheduled medical appointments, and any other transport of inmates in our custody. Specialized equipment, vehicles and S.E.R.T. may be utilized for high-profile inmates, high risk inmates or transports for inmates with special medical and mental needs.

In addition, department vehicles are also utilized for corrections staff to attend and/or participate in training (Basic Academy, Firearms Academy, Certification and Re-certification of Firearms).

F. VEHICLES

The total mileage logged by the Corrections Division for 2010 was 171,835. This is a 22% decrease from last year. There are 8 vans, 3 unmarked sedans, 5 SUV's and 1 K-9 Expedition and 1 cargo trailer for the work crew. The Correction Division is the primary transport for inmates in the Ulster County Corrections Division.

VEHICLE #	YEAR / MAKE	ENDING MILES
300	2002 Chevy Impala (Administration)**	4,778
301	2002 Chevrolet Impala (Administration)	90,993
302	2006 Ford 12 Passenger Van	41,275
303	2009 Chevy Tahoe	8,488
304	2002 Chevy 12 Passenger Van	34,582
305	2004 Ford 15 Passenger Van	54,531
306	2008 Chevy Van	15,955
307	2004 Ford 12 Passenger Van (Work Crew)	41,378

308	2008 Ford Expedition	40,200
309	2004 Ford Crown Victoria	100,103
310	2006 Ford 11 Passenger Van	32,301
311	2010 Chevy Express Van (For S.E.R.T.)	8,551
312	2006 Chevy Tahoe	1,922
313	2005 Ford 12 Passenger Van	53,036
314	2008 Chevy Tahoe	32,448
315	2010 Chevy Tahoe	3,200
K9-6	2003 Ford Expedition	111,951
Sheriff	2000 Trailer Express (Work Crew)	

G. FIRE SAFETY

As per Commission of Corrections Minimum Standard 7039, and the size and complexity of the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center staff, resources are required to perform mandated fire safety and security inspections. The facility has one full time Fire and Safety Officer (Officer George Hill) and 5 additional staff (Sgt. Charles Polacco, Cpl. Joseph Decker, Officer Ryan Petit, Officer Jason Meyer, and Officer John Barbiani) all trained to the Commission of Corrections standards for the relief capacity of the full time Fire and Safety Officer.

The Fire and Safety Officer's core job duties consist of weekly, monthly, quarterly, and annual inspections of all the facility's fire protection and detection equipment such as automatic sprinkler systems, fire extinguishers, cooking hood fire suppression equipment, hose cabinet systems, fire alarm systems, scba's, and hydrants. Additional safety equipment inspections include eye wash stations, forklift, MSDS binders, medical equipment and defibrulators. He/she is responsible for training of fire and safety related tasks to the staff. Additional responsibilities include accompanying the Department of Labor, PESH, OSHA, the Health Department, and the Commission of Corrections or any other inspectors of the facility.

The Fire Safety Officer coordinates with staff, all federal, state and locally mandated drills and exercises, such as the annual disaster drill and quarterly housing unit fire drills.

The Fire Safety Officer coordinates all fire suppression and fire related activities, and assists the local fire department upon arrival, acting as the department liaison. Additionally the Fire and Safety Officer conducts facility familiarization training and walkthroughs of the facility to the local fire department on an annual basis.

The Fire Safety Officer conducts inspections on the corrections and criminal patrol vehicles fire and safety equipment ensuring all fire extinguishers, medical kits, respirators, flares and other safety devices are in-service.

IV. SUPPORT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

A. FOOD SERVICES

Food services for the Ulster County Jail and the Community Corrections Program are provided by ARAMARK Correctional Services. Ulster County Jail maintains 2 full time county cooks, while

ARAMARK employs a Food Service Manager, and three other kitchen workers. The facility cooks prepared and served 391,591 meals to inmates and Corrections staff in 2010.

B. COMMISSARY

ARAMARK is responsible for all purchases by inmates through commissary. Profits generated from the sale of commissary goods offset the cost of the games, recreation equipment, television sets, and cablevision. There is no financial impact on Ulster County taxpayers for any of the above items purchased for inmate use in accordance with the New York State Minimum Standards. The FY'10 gross proceeds from inmate commissary were \$62,404, a slight decrease of 4% from last year.

C. INMATE TELEPHONES

On August 19, 2010, the facility changed vendors and now uses I.C. Solutions as the inmate telephone system provider. The new system offers the population access to call cell phones; there are also several different ways for the inmates to make just collect calls. There are debit and prepaid accounts. Total revenue for telephone service was \$203,257, a 33% increase from the previous year.

D. MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Correctional Medical Care Inc. (C.M.C.) contractually provides forensic services to the Ulster County Jail. Under the contract with CMC, the psychiatrist provides 16 hours of service per week. For the year of 2010, 1,386 inmates were seen by the psychiatrist. In addition, the psychiatrist is part of a group of doctors that are on call 24 hours a day. This is an invaluable tool to the correction facility as inmates can be in crisis at anytime. C.M.C. also provides a forensic manager 40 hours per week. We continue to maintain constant supervisions which are monitored closely, tying up valuable staff hours as well as housing space.

Due to the new facility layout and procedure changes, the Certified Social Worker (C.S.W.) was able to see 956 inmates. Inmates seen by the Discharge Planner numbered 1,945.

E. MEDICAL SERVICES

2010 was the ninth full year of medical services provided by Correctional Medical Care Inc (C.M.C.). The medical staff completed 2,088 new inmate screenings. 5,361 inmate visits were made to nurse sick call, an 11% increase from last year. Also, 2,062 inmate visits were made to the physician and dentist. C.M.C. remains an accredited agency with the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC).

F. INMATE EXERCISE

Inmates are entitled to exercise periods which, at the discretion of the chief administrative officer, shall consist of at least 1 ½ hours during each of five days per week; or at least one hour seven days a week. The availability to exercise in the new facility has been greatly increased, due to the layout of the housing units.

G. INMATE VISITATION

Since Jan.1, approximately 14,923 civilians visited 11,063 inmates in separate visiting blocks. Staff members have worked closely with supervisors, S.E.R.T. and the K-9 Unit in locating contraband. They

have also utilized effective communication skills, passing on valuable information gathered while speaking with inmates during visitation.

A total of 7 arrests in visits were made for the year. These arrests were contraband related. Tickets were issued as a result of road blocks and license checks using mobile cop.

Visitation security was enhanced by the combined efforts of the Criminal and Correction Divisions. The department K-9 acts as an additional measure for preventing contraband from entering the facility by outside sources.

H. INMATE WORK DETAIL

Each year, the work detail has worked setting up the Ulster County Fairgrounds and Seamon's Park in which the inmates plant for the Mum Festival. In addition, they set-up for the Garlic Festival held in Saugerties each year. They sheet-rock, hang insulation, paint, plant, and build new structures.

Under the supervision of CO Vinnie Decker, 887 inmates participated in the work detail crew during 2010, working 6,626 hours for Ulster County.

This detail helps inmates after release with the labor skills they have learned and applied. It also prepares them to be employable members of society and give back. In 2010, the detail worked at various locations, including; Fire Departments - Alligerville, Plattekill, Spring Lake, Hurley and West Hurley, Accord, Ulster Hose, Connelly and Lomontville. Other work details included various churches: Mt. Saint Alfonso, Port Ewen Methodist Church, Saint Paul's, Woodstock and Blue Mountain Church.

I. EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Eligible youth are entitled to receive educational services and are encouraged to become involved in the programs offered by the Kingston City School District as they may obtain skills and credentials necessary to function more productively both during incarceration and after release. All youths aged 16 & 17 that are admitted to U.C.L.E.C. are interviewed during an intake screening as to the last level of schooling they have completed. The Kingston School District distributes a handbook on the services provided. Youths are mandated to attend school as soon as they are incarcerated.

Due to a change in the teaching structure, the Kingston City School District now has (3) full-time teachers with one teaching assistant and one counselor. The teaching staff offers various studies, including; adult and teen G.E.D. preparation studies, remedial studies, life skills, post G.E.D. review and actions for personal choice (APC). Currently, the teachers use contact area teaching. This is more hands on approach. Math, social studies, science, language arts and writing have been more specifically addressed. This has proven to be benefiting the students, as it offers a much more structured environment and gives teachers the ability to target each individual student's needs. The educational services also provide employment preparation education.

The G.E.D. can be administered after pre-testing and “tabe” testing (grade level equivalent) for the exam. Grade 11/12 must be attained for the G.E.D. If an inmate states he/she already has a G.E.D., or high school diploma, it is first verified.

Graduating students now celebrate with pizza and a movie after completion of their G.E.D. Other students are now looking forward to the celebration of their accomplishments and rewards through what they have attained in education.

G.E.D. statistics for 2010: (Class time is based on 5.5 hours per day, 212 days per year).

I.Y.P. (Minors under the age of 21)

259	Enrolled in class
23	Took the G.E.D.
19	Passed the G.E.D.

ADULTS:

84	Enrolled in class
6	Took the G.E.D.
4	Passed the G.E.D.

J. REHABILITATION

With the reorganization of inmate programs and resources available to the inmate population, we are now able to provide a sufficient number of programs to meet the needs of the growing inmate population.

Volunteer Registry- The volunteer registry program continues to be a very successful program in the identification of volunteers visiting the facility. Applications are kept on file and reviewed yearly for all volunteers.

Law Library- The law library is updated on a regular basis. On a routine schedule, law materials that are outdated are replaced with the appropriate updates as per the N.Y.S. minimum standards. The mobile computer kiosks allow for more time per housing unit for law studies.

Programs - Long standing programs continued their services this year. Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotic Anonymous, and religious services of several different faiths were routinely attended by both male and female inmates. The female population is offered several programs. Ulster Literacy teaches the fundamentals of reading and writing. The YWCA offers a parenting class that has been well-received, and the Maple Ridge and Woodcrest communities continue with crafts, as well as other seasonal events.

Re-Entry – Cpl. Gene Stoutenburg has been tasked with the roll of Re-entry Coordinator. The program continues to operate with a maximum of 12 participants. The re-entry program is a minimum of 5 weeks. It requires the inmate to complete an interview process and be willing to participate in all aspects of the program. The goal of this program is to prepare inmates into becoming productive members of society. Skills, domestic issues, and job training/programs are covered. In the calendar year of 2010, 67 inmates have completed the program with a success rate of greater than 90%. Future plans for the program include; attempting to secure additional funding for basic computer training for all participants, as well as basic financial and employment seeking life skills courses. In 2010 we introduced resume writing, personal home finance and simulated job interview. We continue to focus in these areas to help the program participants acquire the basic life skills that will help facilitate a productive re-entry in mainstream society.

V. TRAINING & AWARDS

A. TRAINING:

Training and staff development is an integral function of jail operations. Under the direction of the Training Coordinator (Sgt. Eddie Torres) is the responsibility of implementing the facility's training program. There are a total of 24 certified BMP/COC instructors within the Ulster County Correction Division.

Certified Trainers include:

Warden Ray Acevedo	C.O. Paul Juliano
Capt. Jon Becker	C.O. Anthony Maggio
C.O. Matthew Blum	Cpl. Tracy McCoy
C.O. Eamon Cunningham	Sgt. Charles Polacco III
Cpl. Joseph Decker	C.O. Wilbur Prutzman, Jr.
C.O. Vincent Decker	Captain Louis T. Russo Sr.
C.O. Bradford Ebel	Lt. Nicholas Scott II
Lt. Vincent Fiscaletti	Sgt. John Steketee
C.O. George Hill	Sgt. Eddie Torres
C.O. Chris Howe	C.O. Norman James

In addition to all being General Topic Instructors, many are certified in specialized Train the Trainer topics such as Legal Issues, Firearms, Chemical Agents and Effective Communication, Defensive Tactics, Direct Supervision, Suicide Prevention and Ethics Awareness.

As an accredited agency, member training is recognized as an important factor in the Sheriff's Office responsibility and receives increased emphasis and effort by the training coordinator. Continual training consists of: an ongoing in-house service training program and search for outside applicable training courses or seminars. To satisfy the requirements of the NYS Sheriff's Association, all staff members are required to receive 21 hours of in-service training. In addition, all supervisors are required to receive an additional 21 hours of managerial training annually. I.C.S. 200 was accomplished among the supervisory levels throughout the department. Overall, in 2010, the Training Unit provided 8,054.5 hours of training to 2,013 members of the Correction Division and other county employees. The Basic Academy for newly hired correction officers is comprised of 160 hours within one year from the date of hire for peace officer training. We have sponsored several Correction Officer Basic Academy Courses. Instructors have also assisted other agencies in the field of legal services, defensive tactics, gang intelligence, report writing, and firearms. We also participate in career days and K-9 presentations in local schools and other organizations.

B. AWARDS

Correction Officer of the Year

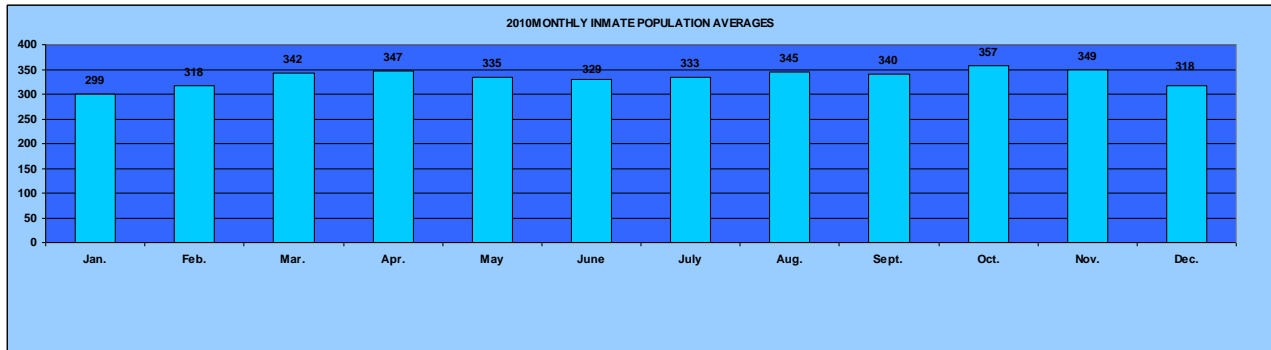
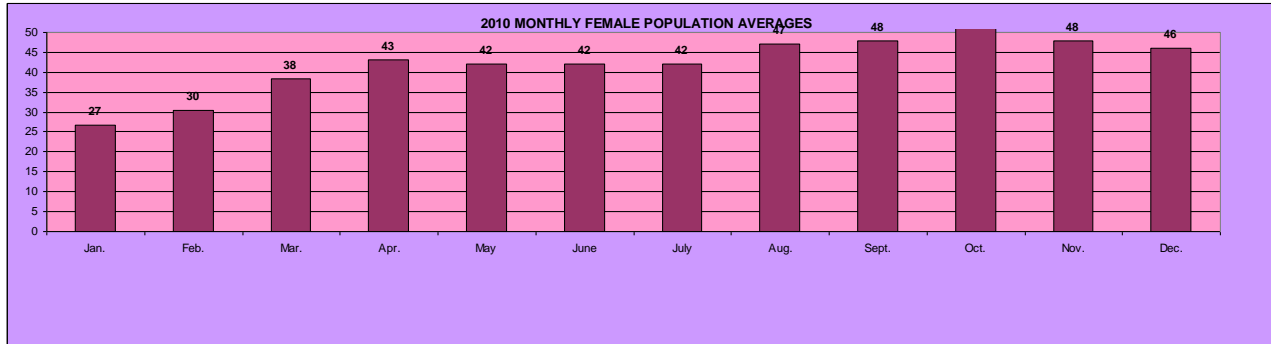
C.O. Michael Arcadipane was awarded the employee of the year for 2010.

Correction Officer of the Quarter

The Officer of the Quarter program was initiated to recognize officers of the department for their role as correction professionals in the overall operation of the facility and their contribution to the local criminal justice system.

2010 Officers of the Quarter were:	Correction Officer Shawn Roche	1st Qtr.
	Correction Officer John Barbiani	2nd Qtr.
	Correction Officer Vincent Pearlman	3rd Qtr.
	Correction Officer Russell Timbrouck	4th Qtr.

2010 MONTHLY POPULATION AVERAGES:



*Design Capacity of the UCLEC facility is 426 (total males and females).

Sheriff's Office Annual Awards 2010

Excellent Duty Award

Det/Sgt Brian Robertson (3)	Det/Sgt Dirk Budd (4)	Deputy Margaret Waage (2)
Officer Courtney Loertscher (2)	Sgt. Daniel Waage (2)	Undersheriff Faluotico
Det/Lt. Brewster	Det. Reynolds	Det. Henry (2)
Det. McDermott (2)	Det. Paulding (2)	Deputy Newman
Officer Dennis Doyle	Officer Robert Leonardo (2)	Det. Haberski (2)
Officer Leris	Officer George MacDonald	Officer Amy Brewster
Samuel Briggs (2)	Officer Thomas Rinaldi	Deputy Lillian Vedder
Deputy Glenn Buchinger	Officer Annmarie Legg	Officer Thomas Nollner
Officer Travis Rossman	Officer Kent Ostrander	Officer Sam Fisco
Detective Abram Markiewicz		

Exceptional Duty Award

Det/Lt. Edwin Brewster	Detective Debra Montgomery	Deputy Sean McMahon
	Kim Millian	

Corrections Officer of the Year

Officer Michael Arcadipane

Civilian Employee of the Year

Diane Falzarino

Deputy Sheriff of the Year

Deputy James Di Mele

Honorable Service Award

Sergeant Christopher Ferro	Officer Anthony Maggio	Officer George MacDonald
Deputy Christopher Lutz (2)	Deputy James Mullen	Officer Wilbur Prutzman Jr.
Officer Michael Coughlin	Sgt. Michael McGirr	Officer Norman James
Officer Brian Hines	Officer Amy Negron	Deputy Glenn Buchinger (2)
Det/Sgt. Dirk Budd	Officer Robert Leonardo	Deputy Michael Newman
Officer Clifford Sedlak	Deputy Stuart McKenzie	

Life Saving Award

Deputy Christopher Lutz	Deputy Stuart McKenzie
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Meritorious Service Award

Deputy Frank Gillespie

Sheriff's Achievement Award

Sergeant Charles Polacco III

Civilian Service Award

Veronica Kennedy